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CARES Housing Assistance Program receives additional funding to extend emergency rental assistance for Nevadans

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The Nevada Housing Division (NHD) has received approximately \$124 million to provide additional temporary rental and housing expense assistance through the CARES Housing Assistance Program (CHAP). The CHAP program has served approximately 29,000 Nevadans to date. The additional funds are currently expected to help an estimated 20,000 households with rent and utilities.

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"I am grateful for this additional relief to help thousands of Nevada's families who are in need of emergency rental assistance," said Gov. Steve Sisolak. "I am proud of the work the Nevada Housing Division has done so far to connect to as many Nevadans as we can to these services, and we know that this work will continue in the future."

Approximately 95% of the funds will be distributed by NHD to sub-grantees that currently administer the CHAP program including:

\$93.8 million to Clark County Social Service, serving Clark County

\$10 million to Reno Housing Authority, serving Washoe County

\$14.8 million to the Nevada Rural Housing Authority, serving all areas of the state outside of Clark and Washoe Counties

The remaining 5%, or \$6.2 million will be utilized for housing stability services.

The funding that will be distributed by the Division comes from the state's \$124.6 million share of a total \$208 million received through the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 for emergency rental assistance. Approximately \$83.2 million was allocated directly to cities and counties.

Households earning up to 80% of area median income are eligible for assistance, however, the program prioritizes assistance to those that are unemployed or have not been employed for 90 days, or renters whose incomes do not exceed 50% of area median income. Information about CHAP program eligibility and how to apply can be found by visiting the Nevada Housing Division's website- <https://housing.nv.gov>.

About the Nevada Housing Division

Our mission is to provide affordable housing opportunities and improve the quality of life for Nevada residents. Nevada Housing Division, a division of the State of Nevada Department of Business and Industry, was created by the Nevada State Legislature in 1975. NHD is committed to making Nevada a better place to live and work. We connect Nevadans with homes by providing financing to developers to build affordable apartment homes, by providing innovative mortgage solutions, and by making more homes energy efficient, thereby lowering utility expenses. To learn more, visit <http://housing.nv.gov>.

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